

Docket No: 00-0475
Bench Date: 8/8/01
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MEMORANDUM

TO: The Commission

FROM: Eve Moran and Claudia Sainsot, Administrative Law Judge

DATE: July 31, 2001

SUBJECT: NeuStar, Inc., in its role as North American Number Plan Administrator

Petition for Approval of Numbering Plan Area Relief Planning for the 815 Area Code.

RECOMMENDATION: Enter the attached Interim Order.

NeuStar, Inc., the North American Numbering Plan Administrator, initiated this Docket (00-0475) by filing a petition requesting that the Commission approve an all-services overlay plan for the 815 Numbering Plan Area. On October 27, 2000, Docket 00-0681 was initiated based on a pleading by the Citizens Utility Board ("CUB") and the Attorney General of the State of Illinois. In that Docket, the Petitioners sought to implement telephone number conservation and number pooling in the 815, 618, 309 and 217 area codes. On February 15, 2001, the Commission entered an Interim Order in Docket 00-0681, which severed the issues relating to the 815 area code from that Docket and transferred those same issues to the instant Docket.

On June 21, 2001, the Administrative Law Judges issued the Proposed Interim Order and set a schedule for the filing of Briefs on Exceptions. None of the parties filed Exceptions to the Proposed Order.

In the instant Order, the Commission formally incorporates the issues severed by the Commission from Docket 00-0681 into the Docket at bar. The order also amends the caption of the Docket to incorporate the issues severed from 00-0681. Entering this order serves to clarify exactly what the issues are in this Docket. For these reasons, the Administrative Law Judges recommend that the Commission enter the Interim Order in this Docket.

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